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Here is your new edition of our Braun to attempted to In it we have and the picturesque beauty, the picturesque the economy of construction range of design, products.

Of our Log Cabin products. Dear Sirs:

May I add to its message the thought that our whole organization is sincere in its desire to bring to you a product that will give a large measure bring to you but one that will give a large measure satisfactory, but one that its use. I certainly wish you all success in your

Sincerely yours, building plans.

J.A. Braun President

The Story of Braun Cedar Cabins



IT is undoubtedly the influence of early American traditions and the romantic tales handed down for generations by the early pioneers that has created in most of us a desire for a log cabin. This desire for and widespread interest in log cabins is, of course, the main reason for the development of Braun Cedar Cabins.

The scarcity of suitable

timber properly seasoned for horizontal log construction, and its high cost when obtained, together with the necessity of having to use skilled axemen trained for this type of work, made it imperative that we look for a suitable substitute for full logs for walls of our cabins. Our aim was to provide the materials for a log cabin at a price that would allow almost anyone to have a log summer home or to continue to foster the pioneer spirit by having a permanent home of the same material.

The vertical half-log construction, which we have developed, patented, and now use in our cabins, enables us to use logs that are cut from cedar forests untouched for years because of a declining commercial market for their sale. These logs are cut over a year in advance of their use, brought direct to our mill by boat, and piled until ready for use. In addition to the benefits offered by this direct purchasing and proper seasoning, you are also protected against shortage and delay by a tremendous backlog of materials on hand. Having decided upon what we believe to be the best materials obtainable for log cabins, our Planning Department set about to devise a method or means by which we might facilitate the erection and economize on labor costs. Our present methods were the result and are daily proving their worth.

Window and door sections or panels are standardized and are fabricated under production methods. Filler sections are assembled to fit between these standard sections and may be made larger or smaller by as small a space as one-sixteenth of an inch. Thus, any sized cabin or arrangement of rooms may be built and still receive the benefits of quantity production. Only the outside walls and gables are assembled in panels. The balance of the materials, where practical, are cut exactly to size and to fit. Items such as flooring and roof boards are sent in standard lengths.

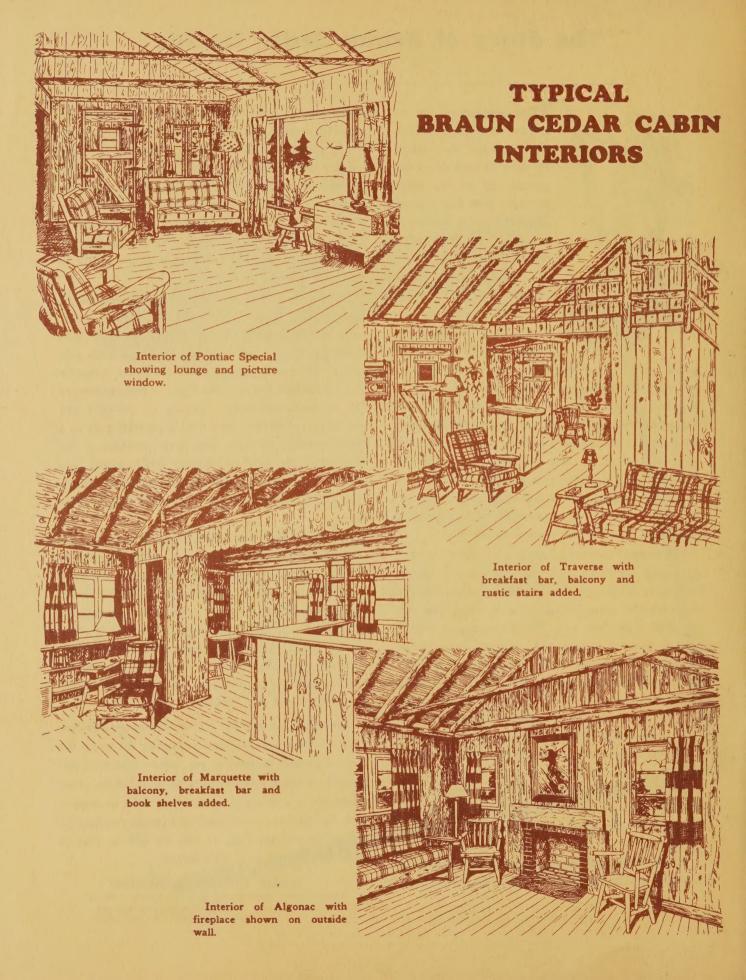
In manufacturing the panels, only the straight grained logs are used. They are first sized to a uniform width, starting from the narrow end, then halved and machined with a groove on each side which, when assembled, contains a loose spline or key. The same size spline is fitted in grooves around the windows and doors, making an air-tight and weatherproof construction that is possible only in a machine-made product. The inside surface of the logs form the finished interior walls, giving you knotty cedar paneling that is not only beautiful to look at and easy to decorate, but very easy to keep clean.

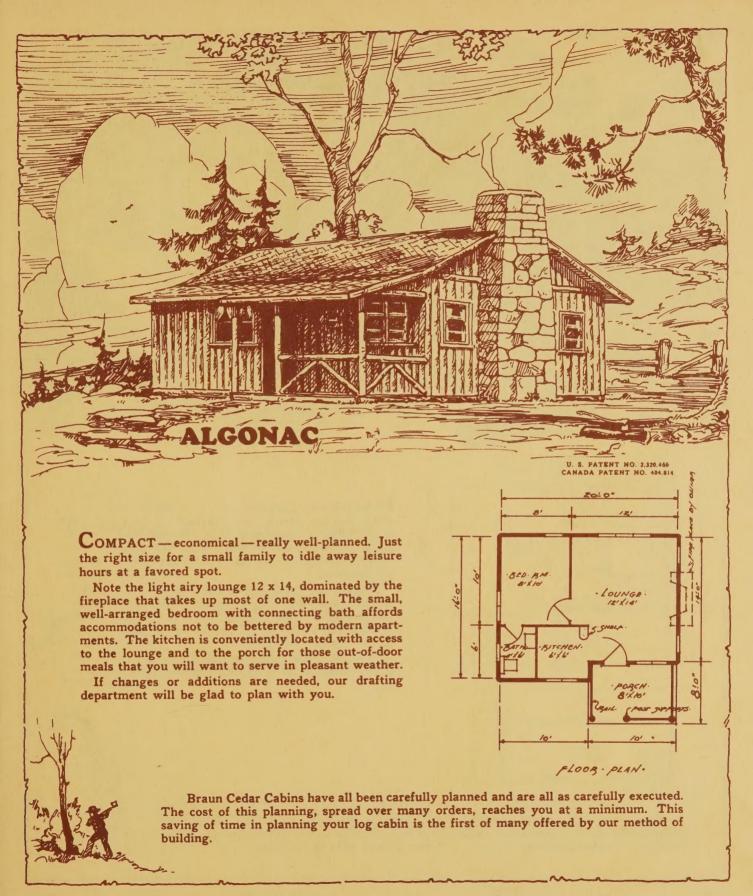
No single item used in the construction has been neglected. Each has been given careful consideration, and the best and most suitable grade and kind of lumber used in its manufacture. Working drawings are prepared for each cabin, and thorough instruction is offered in their application. Every effort has been made to simplify each step in the construction of your cabin home so that you may, as an amateur, literally build your own home or obtain professional aid at a reasonable cost.

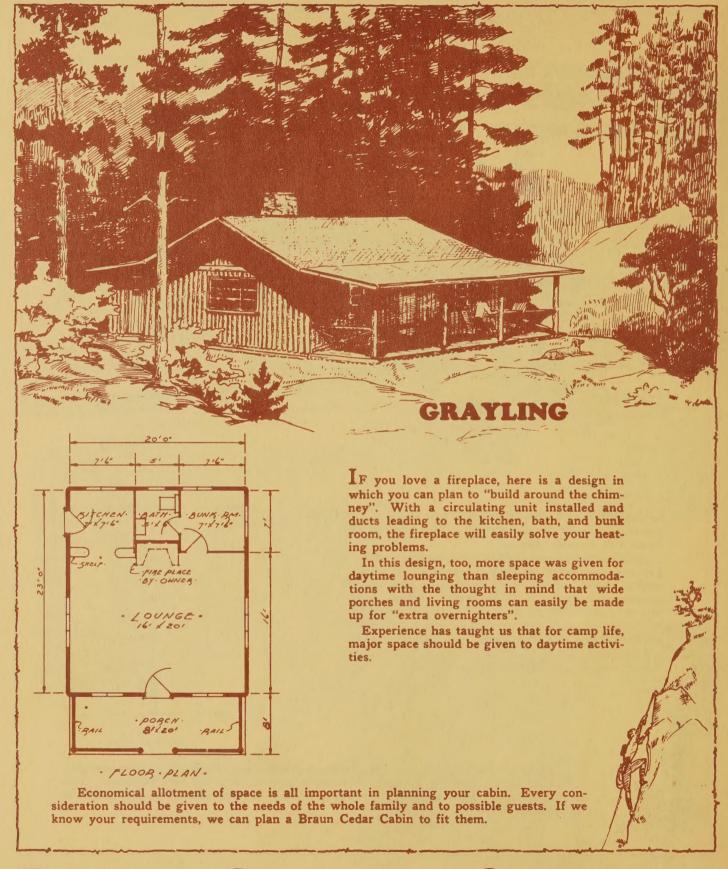
The collection of plans on the following pages are what we believe to be the best among the many we have collected. However, we realize that it is not possible to show, within one small book, all the plans necessary to suit every need; so we wish to emphasize that features in one plan that please you may be shifted to another plan, or that we will be glad to have you submit your own design.

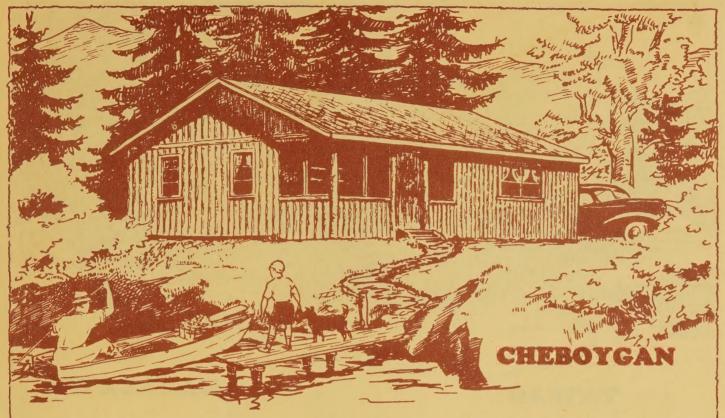
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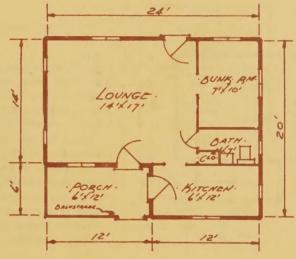




"EVERYTHING you need and all under one roof" might easily describe this cabin. Its pleasant, simple lines seem to indicate that here is structural soundness and lasting quality.

The 14' x 17' inside dimensions of the lounge provide adequate space for rainy days when you wish to stay indoors. The bunk room can easily accommodate four people, and the kitchen can be arranged for a breakfast nook if desired.

For the small family with not too many overnight guests, this design should provide plenty of space and many happy hours.



FLOOR PLAN.

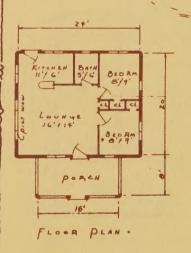
Strong construction is a "must be" item for your cabin home. Braun Cedar Cabins insure this sturdy, permanent strength in addition to their attractive exteriors. Vertical log construction makes a solid, weatherproof wall of greater average thickness than ordinary frame buildings.





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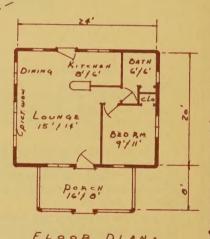
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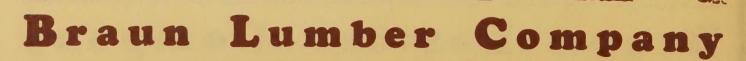
FOR the sportsman, hunter, or nature-loving week-ender, here is a small cabin to delight the heart of all—small to the point of being tiny, yet containing all the room necessary to be entirely comfortable.

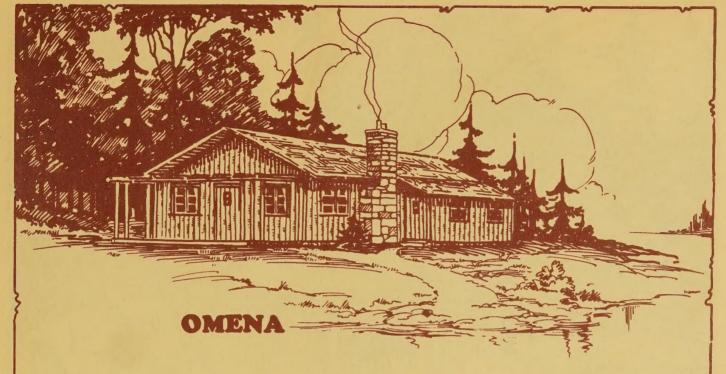
Note the two complete floor plans for this one cabin. — Either one or two bedroom as you choose, or perhaps you can arrange a plan more suitable to your needs

Be sure to build your cabin as low to the ground as possible. It gives that desired effect of having grown from the ground on which it stands.



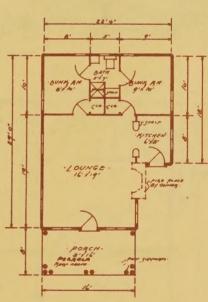
Consider the saving in time effected through the purchase of a Braun Cedar Cabin. The planning, designing, drafting, procurement of materials, and a large portion of the labor—all secured in one simple operation. No need now to spend endless hours searching over the country for suitable ideas and materials.





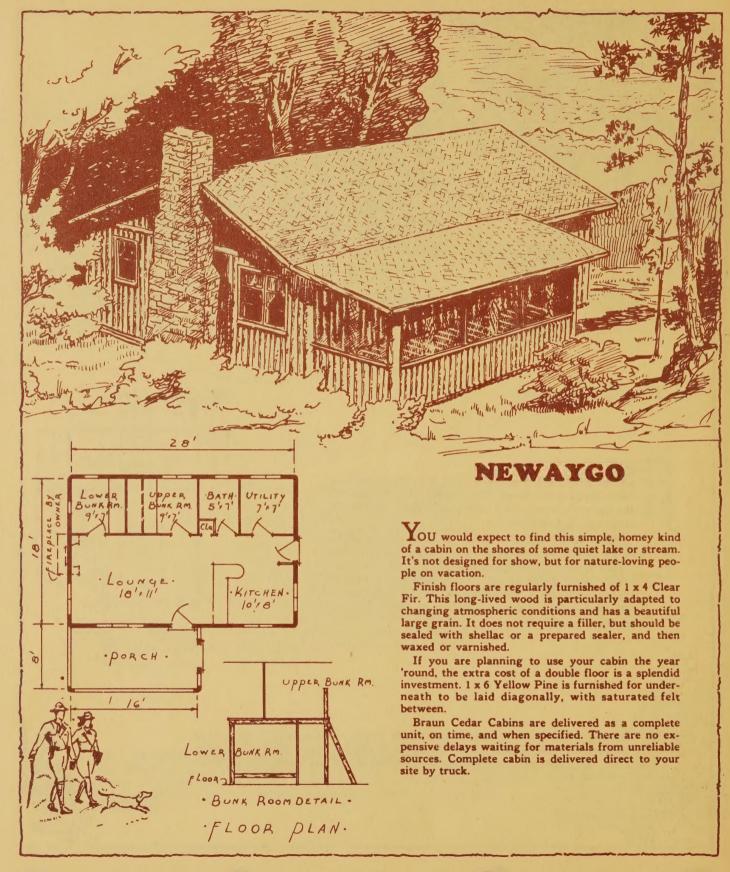
SIMPLICITY and strength seem to be the keynote of this most popular design. The rugged, straight lines of the log walls, topped by a stout roof, make it part of the landscape that surrounds it.

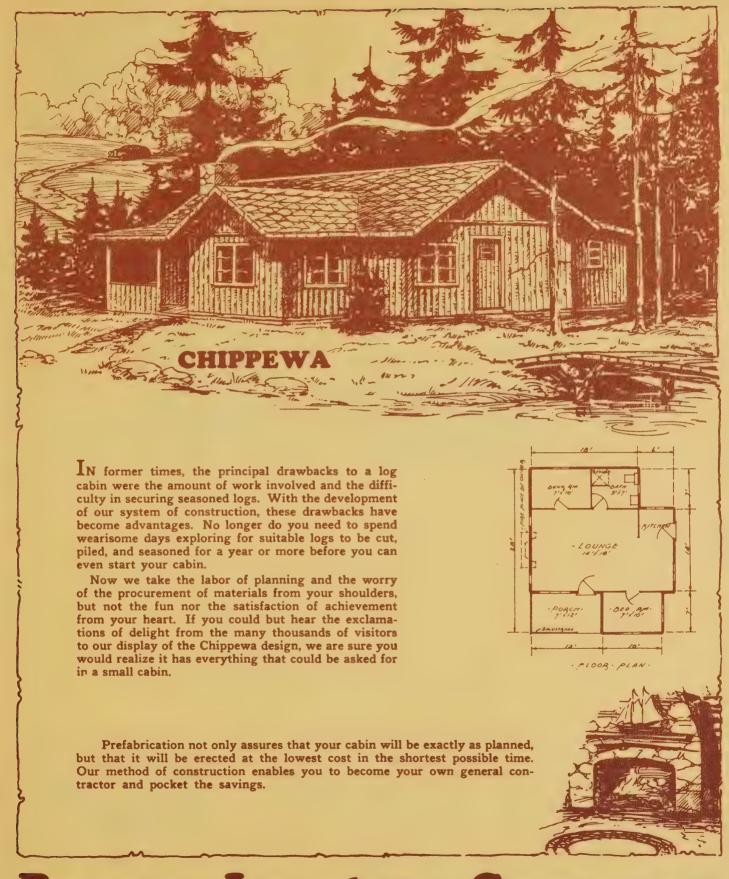
Materials are furnished for all cabins to roll the edges of the roof. This includes a $2 \times 4-\frac{1}{2}$ round for facia and a $2 \times 4-\frac{1}{2}$ round for verge so that shingles may be rolled around these pieces, giving a heavy thatched roof effect that is particularly harmonious to the log atmosphere. The conventional shingle application for edges may, of course, be made if desired.

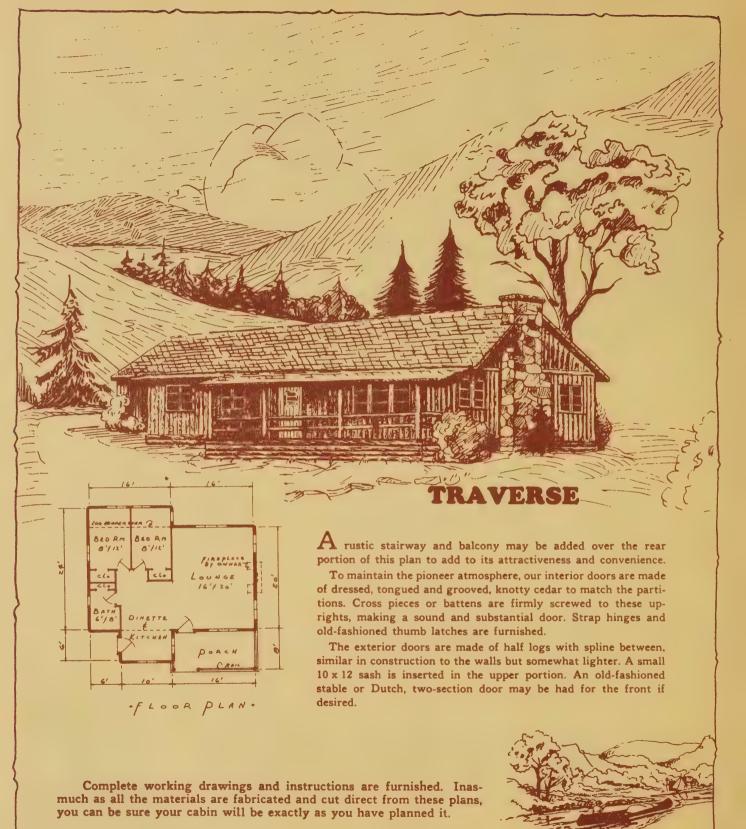


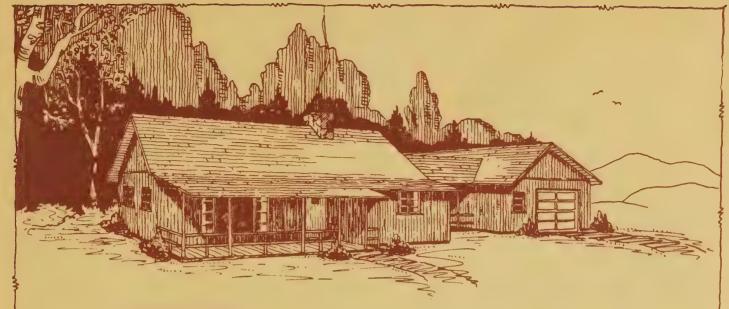
While anyone can erect a Braun Cedar Cabin, it is advisable to have a competent carpenter on the job to insure satisfactory workmanship. Complete working drawings and instructions are furnished. These show the location and marking of all materials.







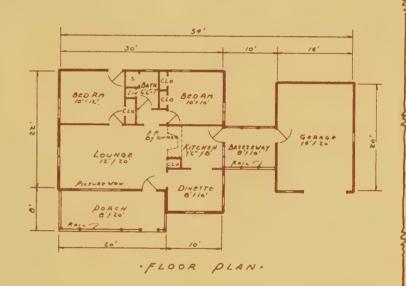




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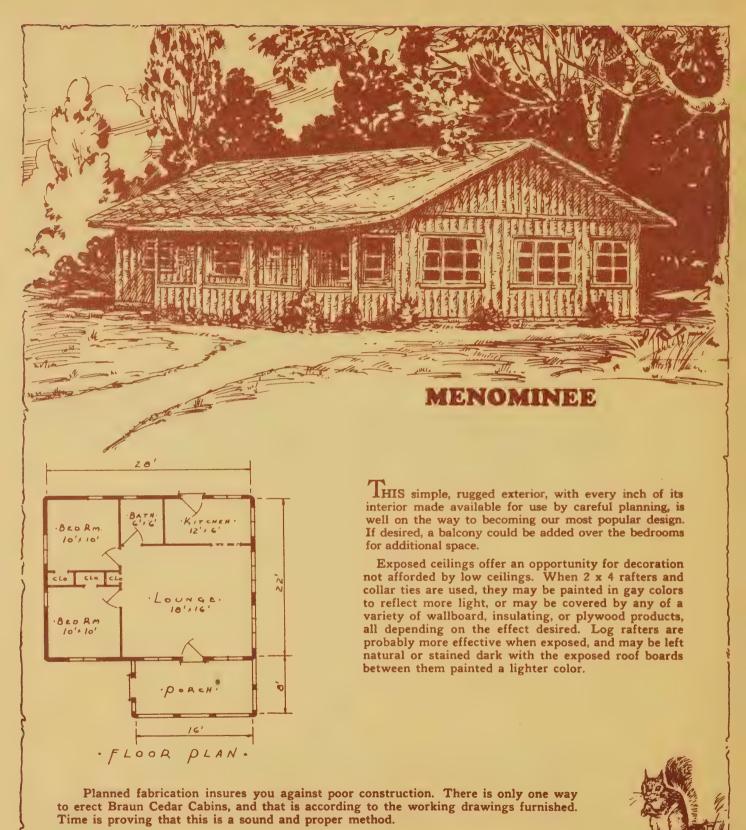
FOR anyone who wants to satisfy that inner urge to live in a real log cabin, here is the ideal plan for year 'round comfort. A study of the floor plan will convince you of the roominess and comfort that it contains. The exterior maintains the rustic character of log cabins, even with the modern note of a breezeway and an attached garage.

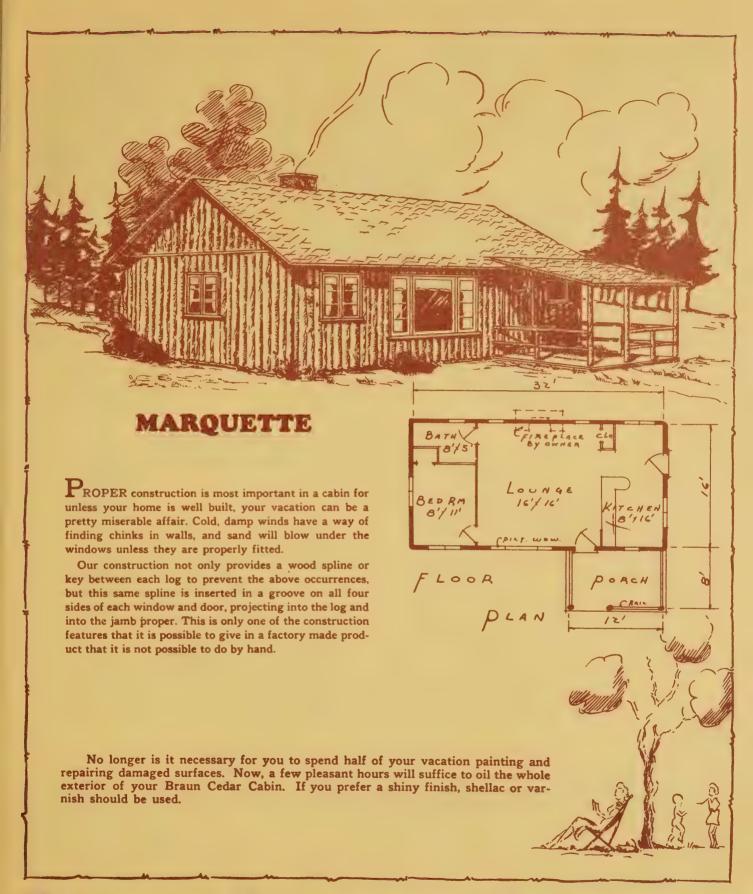
The interior walls, as are all our cabins, are beautiful knotty cedar. The partitions, too, are random width, vertical V-cut ceiling of Western Knotty Cedar. Its beautiful grain and coloring allow a varied choice in intertior decoration. Paneled walls are easy to keep clean, too.

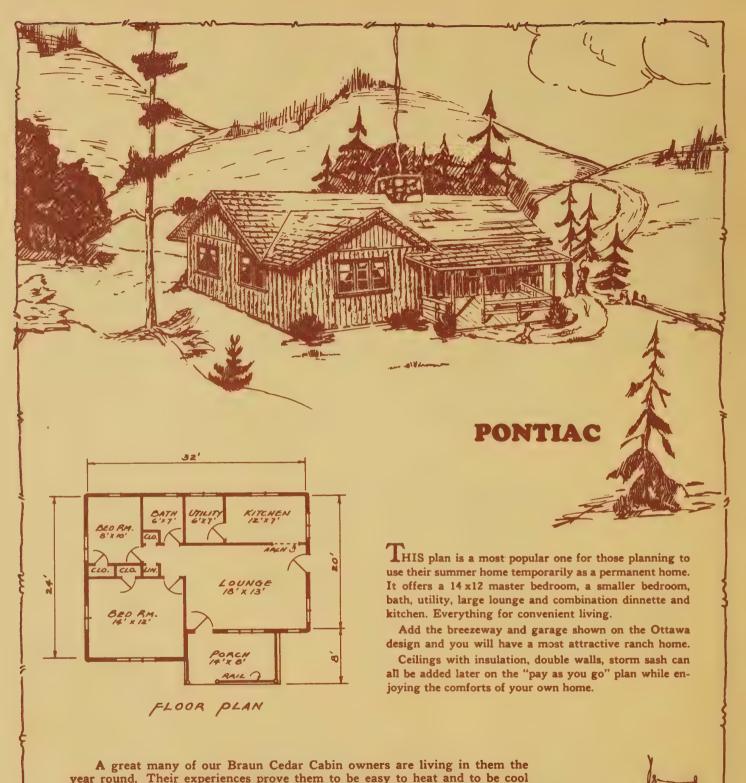


You will be amazed at the speed in which your cabin is erected. This speed, however, does not mean that good construction is being sacrificed in order to save time. It does mean that fabrication of materials at the mill is enabling you to cut substantially, the hours of labor in erection.



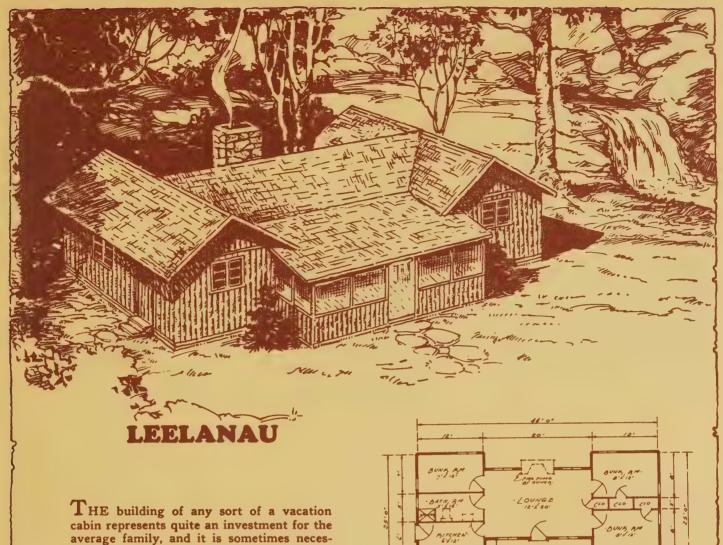






in summer. Double floors and storm sash should be included in your order

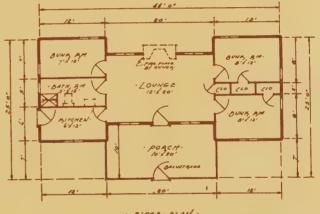
if you plan on using your cabin in cold weather.



sary to omit or hold back on certain fixtures to make the budget work out. Here is a plan that can be completed in three easy

The first year would most probably see the lounge and great screened porch finished. Bunks at one end of the living room and temporary kitchen equipment would carry

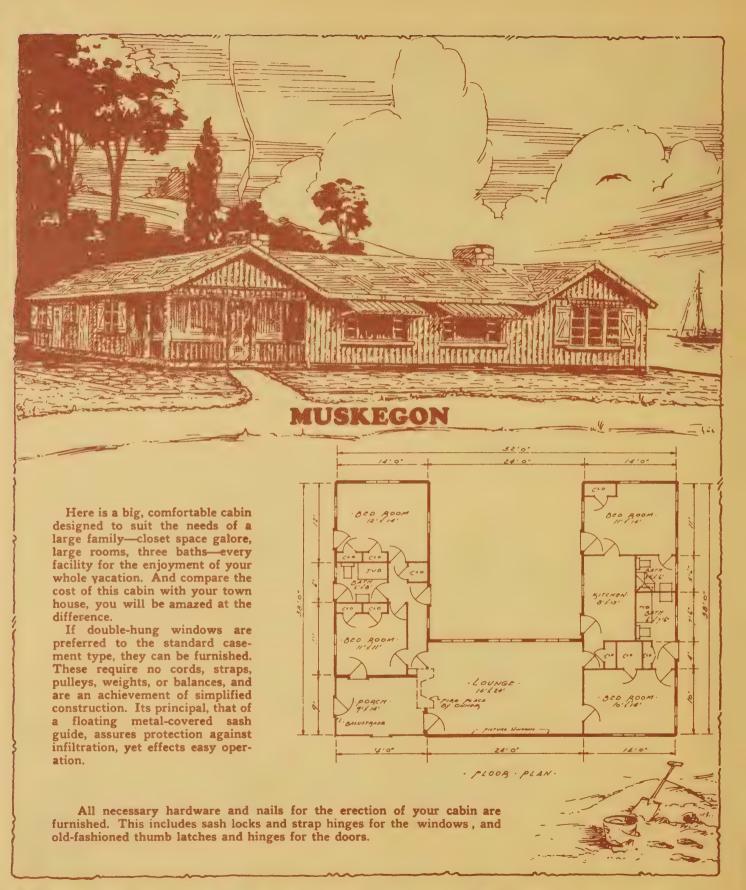
you over nicely to the second stage. This would be the kitchen, bath, and bunk room on the left, to be followed at a later date by the bunk rooms shown in the right addition. Whether yours is a three, five, or ten-year plan, this program should prove attractive.

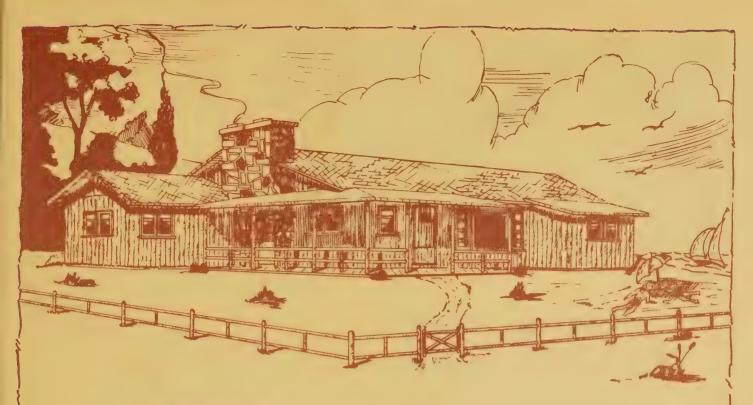


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The White Cedar used in Braun Cedar Cabins is long-lived and particularly adapted to outside weather conditions. Its high insulating value is of added importance.



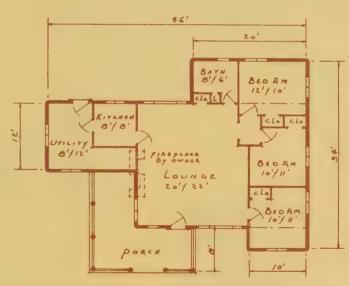




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A three bedroom home for the medium size family. This is an ideal plan for a year 'round home, there being a large utility room with separate alcove for heating unit directly behind the chimney. The many other attractive features make this a most popular design.

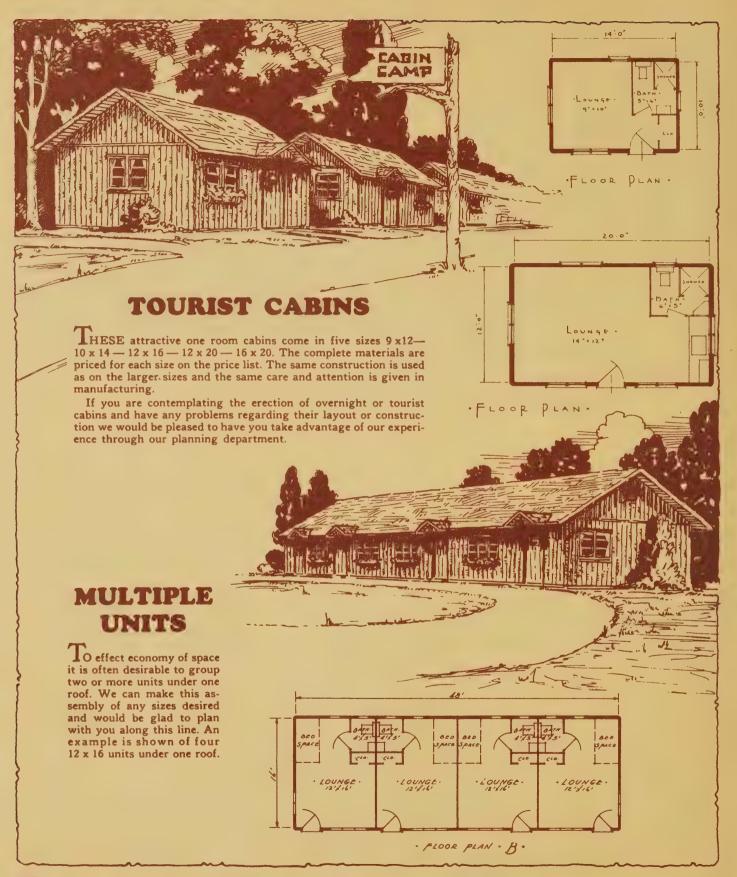
The low cost, attractive appearance, low upkeep, and the ease with which they may be completed make our cabins your most logical selection for a summer or lakeside permanent home.

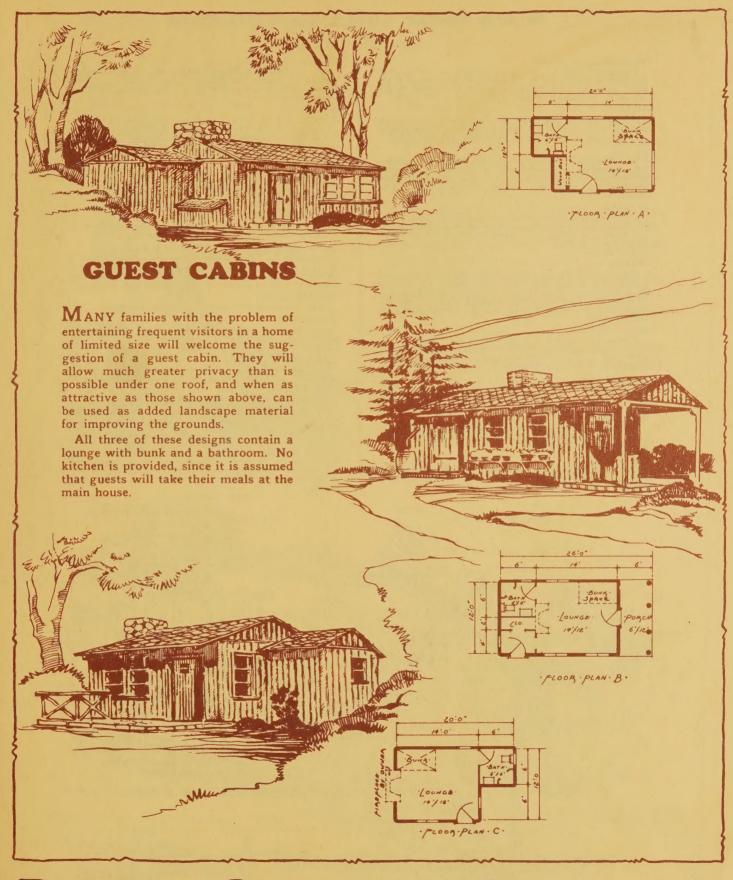


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The favorable comments and exclamations of all those who have purchased Braun Cedar Cabins—satisfied customers, all of them—are very gratifying to us.







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Braun Cedar Cabin Specifications

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FOUNDATION POSTS

Foundation posts are no longer included in the materials furnished because so few of our customers have elected to use them, preferring a cement wall or cement block piers. If they are desired they may be added to your order at 50c each.

SILLS

Built-up sills of 2 pieces of 2 x 6 are furnished. To simplify delivery these are shipped KD cut to length. In every possible case the spans of these sills are limited to eight feet or less.

IOISTS

 2×6 joists spaced 16" on centers with headers to form box sill construction. No Bond timber is furnished unless specified and included in the order. In as much as sill and joist spans are short, 2×6 joists have sufficient strength to form a good substantial floor.

FLOORS

Listed standard price includes only a single floor. When double floors are desired 1 x 6 tongued and grooved yellow pine sub floor, a moisture proof paper and nails are furnished. Pinish floors are clear fir or yellow pine. See price list for extra cost of double floors.

WALLS

Exterior walls and gables are prefabricated in easily handled sections with window and door frames installed and windows fitted temporarily. These sections are of vertical half log construction with concealed spline contained within grooves between them. See details. Only thoroughly seasoned white cedar loss are used.

PARTITIONS

Vertical random width V-grooved Western Cedar boards with 2×3 top and bottom plates grooved for same. The same 2×3 plate extends around door openings forming jambs on which to hang the interior doors.

COLLAR TIES

Collar ties are furnished to match rafters on four foot centers. These extend from wall to wall across the width of the house and the primary purpose is to tie the walls together.

RAFTERS

2 x 4 Yellow Pine rafters 16" on centers are standard. Log rafters may be had at a slight additional cost due to the labor involved in their fabrication.

ROOF BOARDS

1x6 or 1x8 tongued and grooved Yellow Pine Boards are regularly furnished—Western Cedar may be had at extra charge shown on price list.

SHINGLES

1678 standard Hex asphalt shingles are furnished in color selected. A moisture proof paper is also furnished to be laid between shingles and roof boards. Valley strips are furnished where necessary.

WINDOWS

Casement sash 136 thick of Western Cedar, glazed with single strength glass are furnished complete with hardware. Sizes are as shown on plans—24" height sash are cut 2 lights high—30" are 3 lights high—48" are 4 lights high. Picture windows are 48 x 48 double strength with 16 x 48 swing in casement each side.

DOORS

Exterior doors are built up of cedar half-logs with single window. Dutch doors may be had for front door if desired. Interior doors are batten type of Western Red Cedar.

SCREENS

No screens or screen doors are included in standard prices. We shall be glad to quote separate prices on this item.

CUPBOARDS AND ALL BUILT-IN FIXTURES

Cupboards are not included in standard prices. Picture of standard sizes and prices are shown on price list. When furnished, these are shipped in the K.D., tied in unit bundles with construction details and list of materials for your guidance.

THRESHOLDS

Maple thresholds are furnished for all exterior doors.

HARDWARE

Strap hinges are regularly furnished for sash and doors, and old-fashioned thumb latches for interior and exterior doors. Nails are furnished for all operations.

MASONRY MATERIAL

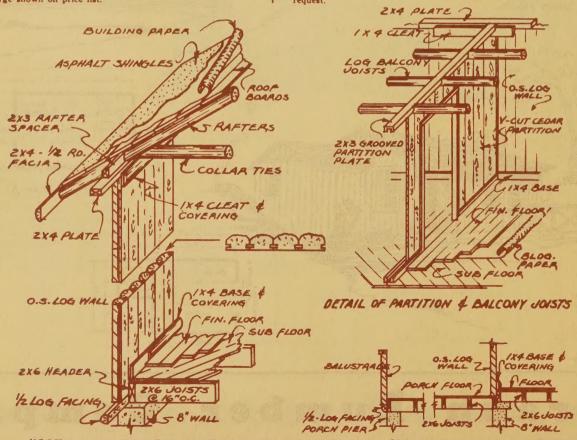
No masonry material is furnished. These products can be purchased locally at a saving due to the cost of delivery of heavy materials.

ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING FIXTURES

No electrical or plumbing fixtures are furnished. These should be furnished by local contractor who can do the installation under local regulations.

FIREPLACE CIRCULATING UNITS

We carry in stock all sizes of Superior Fireplace Units. Why waste your heat in an old-fashioned fireplace? A superior unit will circulate warm air through your cabin, not up the chimney. It will triple the efficiency of your fireplace. Prices upon request.

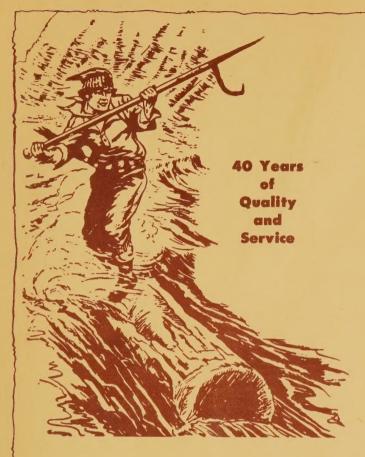


VERTICAL SECTION THRU OUT SIDE WALL

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HE manufacture of Braun Cedar Cabins is but one activity among the many being carried on by the Braun Lumber Company. Engaged in the manufacture and distribution of all kinds of lumber products, the development of the log cabin is but a natural result of efforts to extend services to a larger sphere. A twenty-acre plant, five of which are under cover, and containing four miles of railway tracks, with five locomotive cranes and many other mechanical handling devices, band mills, planing mills, saw mills, finish mills, new modern cabin mill, cabinet shop, drying sheds, and endless storage sheds and warehouses are but a few of the many interesting things to be seen in a tour through our main plant. You are cordially invited to make this visit on any week day that is convenient for you. We are sure that you will be convinced as to our responsibility and ability to perform according to our claims.



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